



# Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

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## CDC Develops Useful Resources for Physicians and Patients

As you may have already heard, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) published its new Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain in March 2016. It provides 12 recommendations about the appropriate prescribing of opioid pain relievers and other treatment options to improve pain management and patient safety. Although the commentary on each of the 12 recommendations is quite detailed, the Board has reviewed each and found them to be consistent with the general principles set out in the Board's regulation, 201 KAR 9:260, regarding the acceptable and prevailing medical practices for prescribing and dispensing controlled substances in the Commonwealth.

In order to assist physicians and improve communications between providers and patients about the risks and benefits of opioid therapy for chronic pain, improve the safety and effectiveness of pain treatment, and reduce the risks associated with long-term opioid therapy, including opioid use disorder, overdose, and death, the CDC developed a series of resources that can be found on the following site: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/prescribing/resources.html>. Here you can find helpful clinical tools such as a checklist for prescribing opioids for chronic pain and how to calculate the total daily dose of opioids for a safer dosage. You will also find helpful resources that you can share with patients, which helps explain the risks and benefits of opioid therapy along with educational offerings for practitioners. The Board encourages physicians to take the time to review these educational materials.

## HHS Issues Final Rule on Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorders

On July 6, 2016, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released a final rule to increase access to medication-assisted treatment with buprenorphine products in the office setting by allowing eligible practitioners to request approval to treat up to 275 patients. The final rule, which went into effect on August 8, 2016, also includes requirements to ensure that patients treated by these practitioners receive high-quality care, and that aim to minimize the risk of diversion.

For more information on these changes, physicians can visit <http://www.samhsa.gov/>, [www.hhs.gov](http://www.hhs.gov) or [www.asam.org](http://www.asam.org).

Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/  
Verification of License link on the Board's website at  
[www.kbml.ky.gov](http://www.kbml.ky.gov)

**Board Action Report (actions taken since 04/01/16)**

**Melecio G. Abordo, M.D., Jackson, KY, License # 34645**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/18/16.

**Nabila S. Babar, M.D., Mason, OH, License # 46763**  
Agreed Order entered into 04/25/16.

**William B. Bebout, M.D., Morganfield, KY, License # 32416**  
Agreed Order entered into 06/03/16.

**Christopher C. Babcock, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 38014**  
Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 04/26/16, effective  
05/29/16.

**Ricky J. Ballou, M.D., Evansville, IN, License # 27268**  
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 04/29/16.

**Arthur H. Bell, D.O., Newtown, OH, License # 03046**  
Agreed Order of Permanent Surrender entered into  
04/21/16.

**Paul M. Bolger, M.D., Davenport, IA, License # 47867**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/10/16.

**Kenny L. Bowman, M.D., Lebanon, KY, License # 03047**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/11/16.

**James S. Buck, M.D., Clarkson, KY, License # 26600**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order of Probation issued  
04/22/16.

**Brandon W. Chan, M.D., McMurray, PA, License # 42418**  
Order Terminating Order of Indefinite Restriction  
issued 05/20/16.

**Thomas C. Crain, M.D., Taylorsville, KY, License # 28770**  
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 04/21/16.

**Leslie G.M.V. Dally, D.O., Paintsville, KY, License # 03348**  
Amended Agreed Order entered into 05/26/16.

**David Dao, M.D., Elizabethtown, KY, License # 22439**  
Approval to Progress to "Onsite Consultation" Phase  
issued 06/08/16.

**Curtis D. Edens, D.O., Louisa, KY, License # 02610**  
Second Amended Agreed Order entered into 06/06/16.

**Julie Ann Farrell, M.D., Glendale, OH, License # 31754**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/10/16.

**Werner Grentz, D.O., London, KY, License # 02269**  
Amended Agreed Order of Probation entered into  
04/21/16.

**Werner Grentz, D.O., London, KY, License # 02269**  
Second Amended Agreed Order of Probation entered  
into 06/30/16.

**Jaime M. Guerrero, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 30735**  
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 05/19/16.

**Scott R. Hamann, M.D., Nicholasville, KY, License # 32055**  
Fourth Amended Agreed Order entered into 04/06/16.

**Scott R. Hamann, M.D., Nicholasville, KY, License # 32055**  
Fifth Amended Agreed Order entered into 05/05/16.

**Laura J. Hazeltine, M.D., Prestonsburg, KY, License # 25775**  
Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 06/21/16, effective  
07/23/16.

**Gregory T. Koo, M.D., Ft. Mitchell, KY, License # 33614**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/10/16.

**Iraklis C. Livas, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 32228**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 04/27/16.

**Anthony J. McEldowney, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 35323**  
Agreed Order entered into 06/01/16.

**Quentin F. Murray, M.D., Winchester, KY, License # 39435**  
Agreed Order entered into 06/03/16.

**Raul Nakamatsu, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 36573**  
Agreed Order entered into 05/10/16.

**Bradford A. Quatkemeyer, M.D., Ft. Mitchell, KY, License # 32259**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 05/20/16.

**Roi O. Reed, D.O., Ashland, KY, License # 02343**  
Agreed Order entered into 06/01/16.

**William R. Revelette, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 31337**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 05/20/16.

**Samuel L. Rice, M.D., Burkesville, KY, License # 18974**  
Amended Agreed Order entered into 04/06/16.

**Richard T. Sheridan, M.D., Cincinnati, OH, License # 18907**  
Order Denying Application for Renewal of License  
issued 05/24/16.

**Dwight H. Sutton, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 40753**  
Amended Agreed Order entered into 04/29/16.

**Glenn M. Taylor, M.D., Blue Ash, OH, License # 49082**  
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 04/08/16.

**Joel L. Velasco, M.D., Prospect, KY, License # 30468**  
Agreed Order entered into 04/06/16.

**Kelli E. Gambill Whitt, M.D., Danville, KY, License # 36424**  
Agreed Order entered into 06/06/16.

**William W. Willis, D.O., Petersburg, WV, License # 02719**  
Agreed Order entered into 04/06/16.

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**Restrictions have also been placed on the following physicians' licenses pending resolution of charges brought against them.**

**Ezekiel O. Akande, M.D., Somerset, KY, License # 42041**

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued 04/22/16, effective 04/25/16.

**C. Glen Click, M.D., Stanford, KY, License # 17220**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 04/14/16, effective 04/15/16.

**C. Glen Click, M.D., Stanford, KY, License # 17220**

Complaint issued 04/22/16.

**Laura J. Hazeltine, M.D., Prestonsburg, KY, License # 25775**

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued 04/06/16, effective 04/08/16.

**Mark A. Kirkpatrick, M.D., Greensburg, KY, License # 25893**

Emergency Order of Restriction issued 04/13/16, effective 04/15/16.

**Mark A. Kirkpatrick, M.D., Greensburg, KY, License # 25893**

Complaint issued 04/22/16.

**Pamela Molloy, MD, Somerset, KY, License # 44479**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 05/04/16, effective 05/06/16. Complaint issued 05/19/16.

**Gary Patton, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 24639**

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued 04/22/16, effective 04/25/16.

**Glen D. Richards, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 13689**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 04/29/16, effective 05/09/16.

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## **Zika Virus Update**

As the dog days of summer hit the Commonwealth, one issue of interest that has garnered a tremendous amount of media attention has been on the preparation for the Zika virus. In our Spring Newsletter, the Board included an article on the virus, which was submitted by the Kentucky Department of Public Health. The article is easily accessible on the Board's website under the newsletter link.

In addition, we just recently posted information on testing for Zika on the main page of our website. The Board encourages all physicians to become familiar with this issue and we will continue to provide any updates with further information upon receipt from the Department of Public Health.

## **Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation Announcement on Medical Director**

On a sad note, the Medical Director of the Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation, Dr. Greg Jones, recently announced that he has accepted a new position with a treatment center in Florida and will be leaving his position with the Foundation in September.

It is important to note the Board is an extremely strong supporter of the Foundation as it facilitates the prevention, identification, intervention and rehabilitation of Kentucky physicians who have, or who are at risk for developing, disorders that are associated with functional impairment or who are suffering from chemical dependency, mental health issues or behavioral problems.

The Board would like to express its deep appreciation to Dr. Jones for his hard work and dedication to the Foundation and to the physicians of the Commonwealth. The Board not only acknowledges the exceptional job that he has done advocating for and assisting Kentucky physicians, but would also like to thank him for providing his unique expertise in providing numerous educational offerings throughout the state on matters relating to opiate addiction and how to deal with addicted patients.

## **Reminder on Current CME Cycle**

Now that we are halfway through 2016, the Board would like to highlight the fact that we are at the midpoint of our current CME cycle. According to 201 KAR 9:310, all physicians maintaining a current Kentucky medical/osteopathic license are required to complete sixty (60) hours of CME every three (3) year cycle, with thirty (30) hours being certified in AMA or AOA Category I by an organization accredited by the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education (CME). The current CME cycle ends on **December 31, 2017**.

Along the same note, the Board would like remind all licensed physicians to ensure that they obtain the appropriate continuing medical education hours to maintain compliance with this regulation. It is important for physicians to remember the continuing medical education requirements related to HB 1, which went into effect in 2012, remain ongoing. According to the regulation for each three (3) year continuing education cycle beginning on January 1, 2015, a licensee who is authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances in the Commonwealth at any time during that cycle shall complete at least four and one-half (4.5) hours of approved continuing education hours relating to the use of KASPER, pain management, addiction disorders, or a combination of two (2) or more of those subjects. A licensee may satisfy this requirement by completing a single approved program of 4.5 hours or longer or by completing multiple approved programs for a total of 4.5 hours or longer for that cycle. A summary of the Board's CME requirements is available on our website, [www.kbml.ky.gov](http://www.kbml.ky.gov).

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## **Amendments to 201 KAR 9:270 Complete and in Effect**

The Board would like to advise physicians that we recently completed the process of amending our regulation, 201 KAR 9:270, which focuses on the professional standards for prescribing or dispensing Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined with Naloxone. These changes went to effect on June 3, 2016 and the Board would like to encourage all physicians that utilize these medications to treat opioid dependence to review the regulation and become familiar with it.

## **Call for Family Practice and Internal Medicine Consultants**

The Board is currently seeking consultants practicing in Family Practice and Internal Medicine. The two primary requirements to serve as a Board consultant are they are in active medical practice and are board certified.

As physicians throughout the state know, the role of the Board's consultants is vital to the core mission of the Board of public protection. Physicians who serve in this capacity for the Board provide a service not only to the public, but also to their fellow physicians. The Board would like to express its deep appreciation to all of its current consultants for their dedication and hard work.

If you are interested in assisting the Board in the capacity of an expert reviewer, please forward your curriculum vitae to the Board's office to the attention of Jennie Woods or via email at [jennie.woods@ky.gov](mailto:jennie.woods@ky.gov). Please note that Board consultants are currently reimbursed at a rate of \$125 per hour pursuant to state stipulations.

## **Reminder on Physician Self-Treatment or Treatment of Immediate Family Members**

One of the common mistakes the Board sees with physicians has to do with their self-treatment or treatment of immediate family members. Due to this fact, the Board, on a regular basis, likes to remind all physicians that according to the American Medical Association's Code of Medical Ethics, physicians generally should not treat themselves or members of their immediate families. Professional objectivity may be compromised when an immediate family member or the physician is a patient; the physician's personal feelings may unduly influence his/her medical judgment, interfering with the care provided. When treating themselves or immediate family members, physicians may be inclined to treat problems that are beyond their expertise.

In emergency or isolated settings where there is no other qualified physician available, physicians should not hesitate to treat themselves or family members until another physician becomes available. However, it is important to note that it is not appropriate for physicians to write prescriptions for controlled substances for themselves or immediate family members.

According to Board Policy adopted on September 14, 2005, "Immediate Family" is defined as "husband or wife; natural or adoptive parent; child, or sibling; stepparent, stepchild, stepbrother or stepsister; father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law; grandparent or grandchild; and spouse of a grandparent or grandchild.

## **Reminder on Mandatory KASPER Accounts**

The Board would like to remind all physicians that state law requires Kentucky licensed physicians who are authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances in the Commonwealth to register with the enhanced Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (eKASPER) system. While the majority of Kentucky physicians have already registered with KASPER, the Board will occasionally still encounter physicians who have not done so.

According to the law, if you have a DEA number registered in Kentucky, you need to register for a KASPER account. This law applies to all physicians with a Kentucky medical or osteopathic license and are authorized to prescribe controlled substances in the Commonwealth. Reminder, to be authorized to prescribe controlled substances in Kentucky, you must have a DEA registered to an address in Kentucky. It is important to point out that according to 201 KAR 9:230, failure to register for KASPER will result in action against a physician's license. If you have not registered for your KASPER account, please do so immediately by visiting <http://chfs.ky.gov/os/oig/KASPER.htm>. Please make note KASPER registration is free and it is the law.

## **Reminder Regarding Need to Notify Board of Change in Address**

The Board would like to remind all physicians that according to KRS 311.586: Every physician who is practicing medicine or osteopathy in this state shall report to the Board the address or addresses at which he maintains an office, and every new licensee shall make the same report within 90 days after commencing the practice of medicine or osteopathy in the Commonwealth. Every physician who, after notifying the Board of his official address or addresses, moves his office to a new address shall immediately notify the Board of the change.

The Board would like to stress the importance of this requirement for all physicians, including locum tenens physicians. Any licensed physician may update their address by simply going to the Board's website at [www.kbml.ky.gov](http://www.kbml.ky.gov) or complete the form on the last page of this Newsletter and forward to the Board.

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Change of Address Notice

**Please Note:** The information that you provide on this Change of Address Notice will be used to update your profile on the Board's web site at [www.kbml.ky.gov](http://www.kbml.ky.gov).

You may also change your address online <http://kbml.ky.gov/address/Pages/default.aspx>

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